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THE YEAR THAT'S GONE!

THUS, through the smiles and favor of a good and gracious Providence, has terminated the second volume of "*The Protestant Episcopal Pulpit, of America;*" and we most respectfully forward an acknowledgment to those Right Reverend Fathers of our Church, and those Professors, and Clergy, who have, in so kind and generous a manner, extended to us the *right hand* of friendship, and thus far in safety, and favor, conducted this *infant* of our Church—and we trust that all those of our Clergy, who have not, as yet, come forward to its aid and its support, will do so at the commencement of the ensuing year, bearing in mind that *this* is the *only* child of *our* Zion that has been "*baptised by this name*"—remembering also, that by its receiving the guardian influence, and protecting care of our Bishops and Clergy, it will, in proper time, gain its due stature of usefulness; and, as it takes its course through distant lands, will redound to the *credit* of our *ministry*, and prove an *honor* to our American Church.

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